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25531 Prado De Las Bellotas
Calabasas CA 913029

Defendant in pro per

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

TROJAN CAPITAL INVESTMENTS, LLC Plaintiff, vs. BENIGNO YUZON JR., and DOES 1 to 10 inclusive, Defendants.	**NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF ACTION UNDER 28USC §§ 1441 AND 1446 FEDERAL QUESTION** Case No.: 15B14162 CV17-00866-JAK(Ex)

TO THE COURT, The Plaintiff, Trojan Capital Investments, LLC Plaintiff's attorneys of record and all other interested parties;

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Defendant, A Martines, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1441 and 1446, hereby files this Notice of Removal from the Superior Court of California County of Los Angeles to the United States District Court for the Central District of California.

The grounds for removal are as follows;

On November 3, 2015 Trojan Capital Investments, LLC filed an unlawful detainer action against this applicant in violation of California Code of Civil Procedure 1161(b) and in violation of this applicant's constitutional right to due process, a federal issue.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff hereby removes the above captioned action from the Superior Court of California County of Los Angeles and requests that further proceedings be conducted in this Court as provided by law.

As required by 28 U.S.C. § 1446(a) and Local Rule, copies of all process, pleading, orders, and other papers or exhibits filed in the State Court are attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), written notice of the removal of this action will be promptly served to Plaintiffs' and the Clerk of the State Court

Respectfully Submitted, this 2nd day of February 2, 2017

A. Martines, Pro Se

EXHIBIT 1

NOTICE: EVERYONE WHO LIVES IN THIS RENTAL UNIT MAY BE EVICTED BY COURT ORDER. READ THIS FORM IF YOU LIVE HERE AND IF YOUR NAME IS NOT ON THE ATTACHED SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT.

1. If you live here and you do not complete and submit this form within 10 days of the date of service shown on this form, you will be evicted without further hearing by the court along with the persons named in the Summons and Complaint.
2. If you file this form, your claim will be determined in the eviction action against the persons named in the Complaint.
3. If you do not file this form, you will be evicted without further hearing.

CLAIMANT OR CLAIMANT'S ATTORNEY *(Name and Address)*: TELEPHONE NO.:

A Martines
25531 Prado De Las Bellotas
Calabasas CA 91302

ATTORNEY FOR *(Name)*: in pro per

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NAME OF COURT: SUPERIOR COURT COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
STREET ADDRESS: 6230 Sylmar Avenue
MAILING ADDRESS: 6230 Sylmar Avenue
CITY AND ZIP CODE: Van Nuys, CA 91401
BRANCH NAME: Van Nuys Courthouse East

PLAINTIFF: TROJAN CAPITAL INVESTMENTS LLC

DEFENDANT: BENIGNO YUZON JR. et al

PREJUDGMENT CLAIM OF RIGHT TO POSSESSION

CASE NUMBER: **15B14162**

Complete this form only if ALL of these statements are true:
1. **You are NOT named in the accompanying Summons and Complaint.**
2. **You occupied the premises on or before the date the unlawful detainer (eviction) Complaint was filed.**
3. **You still occupy the premises.**

(To be completed by the process server)
DATE OF SERVICE:
(Date that this form is served or delivered, and posted, and mailed by the officer or process server)

I DECLARE THE FOLLOWING UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY:

1. My name is *(specify)*:
   A Martines
2. I reside at *(street address, unit No., city and ZIP code)*:
   25531 Prado De Las Bellotas
   Calabasas CA 91302
3. The address of "the premises" subject to this claim is *(address)*:
   25531 Prado De Las Bellotas
   Calabasas CA 91302
4. On *(insert date)*: November 3, 2015 , the landlord or the landlord's authorized agent filed a complaint to recover possession of the premises. *(This date is the court filing date on the accompanying Summons and Complaint.*
5. I occupied the premises on the date the complaint was filed *(the date in item 4)*. I have continued to occupy the premises ever since.
6. I was at least 18 years of age on the date the complaint was filed *(the date in item 4)*.
7. I claim a right to possession of the premises because I occupied the premises on the date the complaint was filed *(the date in item 4)*.
8. I was not named in the Summons and Complaint.
9. I understand that if I make this claim of right to possession, I will be added as a defendant to the unlawful detainer (eviction) action.
10. *(Filing fee)* I understand that I must go to the court and pay a filing fee of $ or file with the court the form "Application for Waiver of Court Fees and Costs." I understand that if I don't pay the filing fee or file with the court the form for waiver of court fees within 10 days from the date of service on this form (excluding court holidays), I will not be entitled to make a claim of right to possession.

(Continued on reverse)

PLAINTIFF (Name): TROJAN CAPITAL INVESTMENTS LLC DEFENDANT (Name): BENIGNO YUZON JR. et al	CASE NUMBER: 15B14162

NOTICE: If you fail to file this claim, you will be evicted without further hearing.

11. *(Response required within five days after you file this form)* I understand that I will have *five days* (excluding court holidays) to file a response to the Summons and Complaint after I file this Prejudgment Claim of Right to Possession form.

12. **Rental agreement.** I have *(check all that apply to you)*:
   a. [ ] an oral rental agreement with the landlord.
   b. [ ] a written rental agreement with the landlord.
   c. [ ] an oral rental agreement with a person other than the landlord.
   d. [ ] a written rental agreement with a person other than the landlord.
   e. [X] other *(explain)*: lease

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

WARNING: Perjury is a felony punishable by imprisonment in the state prison.

Date: January11, 2016

A Martines ▶ (signature)
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME) (SIGNATURE OF CLAIMANT)

NOTICE: If you file this claim of right to possession, the unlawful detainer (eviction) action against you will be determined at trial. At trial, you may be found liable for rent, costs, and, in some cases, treble damages.

— NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS —

YOU MUST ACT AT ONCE if **all the following are true:**

1. **You are NOT named in the accompanying Summons and Complaint.**
2. **You occupied the premises on or before the date the unlawful detainer (eviction) complaint was filed.** *(The date is the court filing date on the accompanying Summons and Complaint.)*
3. You **still occupy the premises.**

(Where to file this form) You can complete and SUBMIT THIS CLAIM FORM WITHIN 10 DAYS from the date of service (on the reverse of this form) at the court where the unlawful detainer (eviction) complaint was filed.

(What will happen if you do not file this form) If you do not complete and submit this form and pay a filing fee or file the form for proceeding in forma pauperis if you cannot pay the fee), YOU WILL BE EVICTED.

After this form is properly filed, you will be added as a defendant in the unlawful detainer (eviction) action and your right to occupy the premises will be decided by the court. *If you do not file this claim, you will be evicted without a hearing.*

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Superior Court of California
County of Los Angeles
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By ________, Deputy
Jose A. Olivares

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

VAN NUYS COURTHOUSE EAST

TROJAN CAPITAL INVESTMENTS, LLC

Plaintiff,

vs.

BENIGNO YUZON JR, and DOES 1 to 10, Inclusive;

Defendants.

CASE NO. 15B14162

COMPLAINT FOR UNLAWFUL DETAINER

Limited Civil
Amount Demanded under $10,000

ACTION BASED ON CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE SECTION 1161a

Plaintiff alleges as follows:

1. Plaintiff is and at all times mentioned in this complaint was a limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Wyoming.

2. Plaintiff became the owner of the property located at 25531 Prado De Las Bellotas, Calabasas, CA 91302 ("the Property") at a trustee's sale on or about October 6, 2015, following foreclosure proceedings. Plaintiff caused to be recorded a trustee's deed in the office of the recorder in the county in which the Property is located, has complied with all requirements

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to perfect its title to the Property, and the sale and all actions were in compliance with CC §2924 et. seq. (Attached hereto as Exhibit "1" is a true and correct copy of the recorded Trustee's Deed Upon Sale). Plaintiff is now the owner of the Property and is entitled to possession thereof.

3. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based upon such information and belief, alleges that, at all times herein mentioned, Defendant, BENIGNO YUZON JR, is an individual in possession of the Property. No landlord/tenant relationship exists between Plaintiff and Defendant.

4. Plaintiff is ignorant of the true names and capacities of Defendants sued herein as DOES 1 TO 10, inclusive, and therefore sues these Defendants by such fictitious names. Plaintiff will amend this Complaint to allege their true names and capacities when the same are ascertained. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based upon such information and belief, alleges that, at all times herein mentioned, each of the fictitiously named Defendants is in possession of the Property, and that Plaintiff's damages, as hereinafter alleged, were the result of the failures, acts and omissions, as hereinafter alleged, by each such Defendants wrongfully.

5. On October 13, 2015, Plaintiff caused to be served on Defendants a 3–Day Notice to Quit, which demanded that Defendant quit the Property within three days after service of the notice. A true and correct copy of the 3-Day Notice to Quit is attached hereto as Exhibit "2". The 3-Day Notice to Quit was served on Defendant by Sarkis Arabyan, a registered California process server. True and correct copies of the proofs of service for the 3-Day Notice to Quit are attached hereto as Exhibit "3".

6. The three-day period stated on the 3-Day Notice to Quit expired on October 16, 2015 and since that date Plaintiff has been and is entitled to immediate possession of the Property.

7. Defendant failed and refused to deliver up possession within the three-day period, or since, and continue in possession of the Property without Plaintiff's permission or consent.

8. The reasonable rental value of the Property is $470.00 per day, and the damages to Plaintiff proximately caused by Defendant's unlawful detention have accrued at that rate since the expiration of the notice, and will continue to accrue at that rate so long as Defendants remain in possession of the Property. Plaintiff remits all excess amounts to the jurisdictional limit of this Court.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment against Defendants, and each of them, as hereinafter set forth.

1. For immediate possession of the Property;
2. For damages at the rate of $470.00 per day for each day Defendants continue in possession of the Property after expiration of the notice;
3. For costs of suit herein incurred; and
4. For such other and further relief that the Court deems just and proper.

LAW OFFICES OF MICHELLE GHIDOTTI

Dated: October 20, 2015 By: ______________________

Christopher L. Bauer, Esq.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
TROJAN CAPITAL INVESTMENTS, LLC

Exhibit "1"

THE LAW OFFICES OF MICHELLE GHIDOTTI

October 8, 2015

Notice to Quit
CCP Section 1161a(b)(3)

To: BENIGNO YUZON JR, AND ALL OCCUPANTS, TENANTS OR SUBTENANTS OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 25531 PRADO DE LAS BELLOTAS, CALABASAS, CA 91302

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subject premises has been duly sold in accordance with Section 2924 of the Civil Code of the State of California under the power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust encumbering the property.

1. IF YOU ARE A FORMER OWNER OR SUCCESSOR TO A FORMER OWNER, within three (3) days after service on you of this Notice you are required to quit and deliver up possession of the premises to the undersigned, who is authorized to receive same. If you fail to deliver possession, this office will institute legal proceedings against you to recover possession of said premises and for rents or damages as provided by law, including up to $600 (six hundred dollars) in addition to actual damages.

2. IF YOU ARE A BONA FIDE TENANT under the California Homeowners' Bill of Rights, you may have the option to begin paying rent to the new landlord and remain as a tenant until ninety (90) days after service of this Notice, or until the end of a valid lease term, whichever is later. You are a "bona fide" tenant if:

   a. You are not the former owner, or the child, spouse or parent of the former owner; and
   b. You entered into the lease as a result of an arms-length transaction; and
   c. The rent due under your lease or rental agreement is not substantially less than fair market rent for the property or your rent is reduced due to a Federal, State or local subsidy.

If you believe you are a "bona fide tenant" pursuant to the above criteria, please contact our office immediately at (949) 354-2601 so we can arrange for the new owner to assume your lease and for you to continue paying rent. If you do not contact us immediately to request that your lease be assumed, you must vacate the property within ninety (90) days from being served with this letter.

5120 E. La Palma Ave, Ste. 206 • Anaheim Hills, CA 92807
Phone: (949) 354-2601 • Fax: (949) 200-4381
www.ghidottilaw.com

Exhibit "2"

00/00/0000 FIRST LEGAL NETWORK 714 541 8182
OR REFERENCE ONLY: 20151242 04

RECORDING REQUESTED BY:

PACIFIC COAST TITLE

WHEN RECORDED MAIL DEED
AND TAX STATEMENT TO:

TROJAN CAPITAL INVESTMENTS, LLC
c/o TROJAN CAPITAL INVESTMENTS, LLC
2618 SAN MIGUEL DRIVE
SUITE 316
NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

APN: 2069-098-007 TS No: CA01000637-14 TO No: 95306790

TRUSTEE'S DEED UPON SALE

EXEMPT PER R&T CODE SECTION 11926
1) The Grantee herein was the foreclosing beneficiary.
2) The amount of the unpaid debt together with costs was: $639,870.73
3) The amount paid by the grantee at the trustee sale was: $639,870.73
4) The documentary transfer tax is: $0.00
5) Said property is in the city of: CALABASAS
6) A.P.N. 2069-098-007

THIS PAGE ADDED TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE SPACE FOR RECORDING INFORMATION

APN: 2069-098-007 TS No: CA01000637-14 TO No: 95306790

TRUSTEE'S DEED UPON SALE

The undersigned Grantor, under penalty of perjury, declares:

EXEMPT PER R&T CODE SECTION 11926
1) The Grantee herein was the foreclosing beneficiary.
2) The amount of the unpaid debt together with costs was: **$639,870.73**
3) The amount paid by the grantee at the trustee sale was: **$639,870.73**
4) The documentary transfer tax is: **$0.00**
5) Said property is in the city of: CALABASAS
6) A.P.N. 2069-098-007

and **Special Default Services, Inc.**, herein called "Trustee", as Trustee (or as Successor Trustee) of the Deed of Trust hereinafter described, hereby grants and conveys, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, to **TROJAN CAPITAL INVESTMENTS, LLC**, herein called "Grantee", the real property in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, described as follows: **SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF**

This deed is made pursuant to the authority and powers given to Trustee (or to Successor Trustee) by law and by that certain Deed of Trust dated June 7, 2007, made to BENIGNO YUZON JR A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY and recorded on June 13, 2007 as Instrument No. 20071423622 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Trustee (or Successor Trustee) having complied with all applicable statutory provisions and having performed all of his duties under the said Deed of Trust.

All requirements of law and of said Deed of Trust relating to this sale and to notice thereof having been complied with. Pursuant to the Notice of Trustee's Sale, the above described property was sold by Trustee (or Successor Trustee) at public auction on **October 6, 2015** at the place specified in said Notice, to Grantee who was the highest bidder therefore, for **$639,870.73** cash, in lawful money of the United States, which has been paid.

Dated: 10/6/2015 **Special Default Services, Inc.**

By: Lisa Rohrbacker, Authorized Signatory

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document, to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

State of CALIFORNIA
County of ORANGE

On 10-6-15 before me, **Jared Degener**, a Notary Public, personally appeared LISA ROHRBACKER, who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity, and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of CALIFORNIA that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Notary Public Signature

JARED DEGENER
Commission # 1976225
Notary Public - California
Orange County
My Comm. Expires Apr 26, 2016

APN: 2069-098-007 TS No: CA01000637-14 TO No: 95306790

EXHIBIT "A"

LOT 6 OF TRACT NO. 35596-16, IN THE CITY OF CALABASAS, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 1295, PAGES 24 THROUGH 27 INCLUSIVE OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
CIVIL COVER SHEET

I. (a) PLAINTIFFS (Check box if you are representing yourself ☐)
TROJAN CAPITAL INVESTMENTS LLC

DEFENDANTS (Check box if you are representing yourself ☐)
BIGNIGNO YUZON, DOES 1-10 AND A. MARTINES

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant LOS ANGELES
(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

(c) Attorneys (*Firm Name, Address and Telephone Number*) If you are representing yourself, provide the same information.
MICHELLE R. GHOOTTI-GONSALVES
5120 E. LAPALMA AVE STE 206
ANAHEIM, CA 92807 949-354-2601

Attorneys (*Firm Name, Address and Telephone Number*) If you are representing yourself, provide the same information.
A. MARTINES
25531 PRADO DE LOS BELLOTAS
CALABASAS CA 91387 818-788-0090

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an X in one box only.)

☐ 1. U.S. Government Plaintiff
☐ 3. Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
☐ 2. U.S. Government Defendant
☒ 4. Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES-For Diversity Cases Only
(Place an X in one box for plaintiff and one for defendant)

	PTF	DEF		PTF	DEF
Citizen of This State	☐ 1	☒ 1	Incorporated or Principal Place of Business in this State	☐ 4	☐ 4
Citizen of Another State	☐ 2	☐ 2	Incorporated and Principal Place of Business in Another State	☒ 5	☐ 5
Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country	☐ 3	☐ 3	Foreign Nation	☐ 6	☐ 6

IV. ORIGIN (Place an X in one box only.)

☐ 1. Original Proceeding ☒ 2. Removed from State Court ☐ 3. Remanded from Appellate Court ☐ 4. Reinstated or Reopened ☐ 5. Transferred from Another District (Specify) ☐ 6. Multidistrict Litigation - Transfer ☐ 8. Multidistrict Litigation - Direct File

V. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT: JURY DEMAND: ☐ Yes ☒ No (Check "Yes" only if demanded in complaint.)

CLASS ACTION under F.R.Cv.P. 23: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ **MONEY DEMANDED IN COMPLAINT:** $ 200,000.00

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing and write a brief statement of cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.)
CIVIL RIGHTS - DENIAL OF DUE PROCESS

VII. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an X in one box only).

OTHER STATUTES
- ☐ 375 False Claims Act
- ☐ 376 Qui Tam (31 USC 3729(a))
- ☐ 400 State Reapportionment
- ☐ 410 Antitrust
- ☐ 430 Banks and Banking
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- ☐ 480 Consumer Credit
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- ☐ 110 Insurance
- ☐ 120 Marine
- ☐ 130 Miller Act
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- ☐ 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment
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- ☐ 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loan (Excl. Vet.)
- ☐ 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Vet. Benefits
- ☐ 160 Stockholders' Suits
- ☐ 190 Other Contract
- ☐ 195 Contract Product Liability
- ☐ 196 Franchise

REAL PROPERTY
- ☐ 210 Land Condemnation
- ☒ 220 Foreclosure
- ☒ 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment

REAL PROPERTY CONT.
- ☐ 240 Torts to Land
- ☐ 245 Tort Product Liability
- ☐ 290 All Other Real Property

TORTS
PERSONAL INJURY
- ☐ 310 Airplane
- ☐ 315 Airplane Product Liability
- ☐ 320 Assault, Libel & Slander
- ☐ 330 Fed. Employers' Liability
- ☐ 340 Marine
- ☐ 345 Marine Product Liability
- ☐ 350 Motor Vehicle
- ☐ 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability
- ☐ 360 Other Personal Injury
- ☐ 362 Personal Injury-Med Malpratice
- ☐ 365 Personal Injury-Product Liability
- ☐ 367 Health Care/Pharmaceutical Personal Injury Product Liability
- ☐ 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability

IMMIGRATION
- ☐ 462 Naturalization Application
- ☐ 465 Other Immigration Actions

TORTS
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- ☐ 370 Other Fraud
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- ☐ 385 Property Damage Product Liability

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- ☐ 422 Appeal 28 USC 158
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- ☐ 442 Employment
- ☐ 443 Housing/Accommodations
- ☐ 445 American with Disabilities-Employment
- ☐ 446 American with Disabilities-Other
- ☐ 448 Education

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- ☐ 463 Alien Detainee
- ☐ 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence
- ☐ 530 General
- ☐ 535 Death Penalty

Other:
- ☐ 540 Mandamus/Other
- ☐ 550 Civil Rights
- ☐ 555 Prison Condition
- ☐ 560 Civil Detainee Conditions of Confinement

FORFEITURE/PENALTY
- ☐ 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881
- ☐ 690 Other

LABOR
- ☐ 710 Fair Labor Standards Act
- ☐ 720 Labor/Mgmt. Relations
- ☐ 740 Railway Labor Act
- ☐ 751 Family and Medical Leave Act
- ☐ 790 Other Labor Litigation
- ☐ 791 Employee Ret. Inc. Security Act

PROPERTY RIGHTS
- ☐ 820 Copyrights
- ☐ 830 Patent
- ☐ 840 Trademark

SOCIAL SECURITY
- ☐ 861 HIA (1395ff)
- ☐ 862 Black Lung (923)
- ☐ 863 DIWC/DIWW (405 (g))
- ☐ 864 SSID Title XVI
- ☐ 865 RSI (405 (g))

FEDERAL TAX SUITS
- ☐ 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant)
- ☐ 871 IRS-Third Party 26 USC 7609

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: Case Number: CV17-00866

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CIVIL COVER SHEET

VIII. VENUE: Your answers to the questions below will determine the division of the Court to which this case will be initially assigned. This initial assignment is subject to change, in accordance with the Court's General Orders, upon review by the Court of your Complaint or Notice of Removal.

QUESTION A: Was this case removed from state court?	STATE CASE WAS PENDING IN THE COUNTY OF:	INITIAL DIVISION IN CACD IS:
[X] Yes [ ] No	[X] Los Angeles, Ventura, Santa Barbara, or San Luis Obispo	Western
If "no, " skip to Question B. If "yes," check the box to the right that applies, enter the corresponding division in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.	[ ] Orange	Southern
	[ ] Riverside or San Bernardino	Eastern

QUESTION B: Is the United States, or one of its agencies or employees, a PLAINTIFF in this action?		
[ ] Yes [X] No	**B.1.** Do 50% or more of the defendants who reside in the district reside in Orange Co.? *check one of the boxes to the right* →	[ ] YES. Your case will initially be assigned to the Southern Division. Enter "Southern" in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.
		[X] NO. Continue to Question B.2.
If "no, " skip to Question C. If "yes," answer Question B.1, at right.	**B.2.** Do 50% or more of the defendants who reside in the district reside in Riverside and/or San Bernardino Counties? (Consider the two counties together.) *check one of the boxes to the right* →	[ ] YES. Your case will initially be assigned to the Eastern Division. Enter "Eastern" in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.
		[X] NO. Your case will initially be assigned to the Western Division. Enter "Western" in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.

QUESTION C: Is the United States, or one of its agencies or employees, a DEFENDANT in this action?		
[ ] Yes [X] No	**C.1.** Do 50% or more of the plaintiffs who reside in the district reside in Orange Co.? *check one of the boxes to the right* →	[X] YES. Your case will initially be assigned to the Southern Division. Enter "Southern" in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.
		[ ] NO. Continue to Question C.2.
If "no, " skip to Question D. If "yes," answer Question C.1, at right.	**C.2.** Do 50% or more of the plaintiffs who reside in the district reside in Riverside and/or San Bernardino Counties? (Consider the two counties together.) *check one of the boxes to the right* →	[ ] YES. Your case will initially be assigned to the Eastern Division. Enter "Eastern" in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.
		[X] NO. Your case will initially be assigned to the Western Division. Enter "Western" in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.

QUESTION D: Location of plaintiffs and defendants?	A. Orange County	B. Riverside or San Bernardino County	C. Los Angeles, Ventura, Santa Barbara, or San Luis Obispo County
Indicate the location(s) in which 50% or more of *plaintiffs who reside in this district* reside. (Check up to two boxes, or leave blank if none of these choices apply.)	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
Indicate the location(s) in which 50% or more of *defendants who reside in this district* reside. (Check up to two boxes, or leave blank if none of these choices apply.)	[ ]	[ ]	[X]

D.1. Is there at least one answer in Column A?	D.2. Is there at least one answer in Column B?
[ ] Yes [ ] No	[ ] Yes [ ] No
If "yes," your case will initially be assigned to the SOUTHERN DIVISION.	If "yes," your case will initially be assigned to the EASTERN DIVISION.
Enter "Southern" in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.	Enter "Eastern" in response to Question E, below.
If "no," go to question D2 to the right. →	If "no," your case will be assigned to the WESTERN DIVISION. Enter "Western" in response to Question E, below. ↓

QUESTION E: Initial Division?	INITIAL DIVISION IN CACD
Enter the initial division determined by Question A, B, C, or D above: →	

QUESTION F: Northern Counties?

Do 50% or more of plaintiffs or defendants in this district reside in Ventura, Santa Barbara, or San Luis Obispo counties? [ ] Yes [ ] No

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CIVIL COVER SHEET

IX(a). IDENTICAL CASES: Has this action been previously filed **in this court**? ☒ NO ☐ YES

If yes, list case number(s): ______

IX(b). RELATED CASES: Is this case related (as defined below) to any civil or criminal case(s) previously filed **in this court**? ☒ NO ☐ YES

If yes, list case number(s): ______

Civil cases are related when they (check all that apply):

☐ A. Arise from the same or a closely related transaction, happening, or event;

☐ B. Call for determination of the same or substantially related or similar questions of law and fact; or

☐ C. For other reasons would entail substantial duplication of labor if heard by different judges.

Note: That cases may involve the same patent, trademark, or copyright is not, in itself, sufficient to deem cases related.

A civil forfeiture case and a criminal case are related when they (check all that apply):

☐ A. Arise from the same or a closely related transaction, happening, or event;

☐ B. Call for determination of the same or substantially related or similar questions of law and fact; or

☐ C. Involve one or more defendants from the criminal case in common and would entail substantial duplication of labor if heard by different judges.

X. SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY (OR SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANT): [signature] DATE: 1-22-2017

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Key to Statistical codes relating to Social Security Cases:

Nature of Suit Code	Abbreviation	Substantive Statement of Cause of Action
861	HIA	All claims for health insurance benefits (Medicare) under Title 18, Part A, of the Social Security Act, as amended. Also, include claims by hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, etc., for certification as providers of services under the program. (42 U.S.C. 1935FF(b))
862	BL	All claims for "Black Lung" benefits under Title 4, Part B, of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969. (30 U.S.C. 923)
863	DIWC	All claims filed by insured workers for disability insurance benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended; plus all claims filed for child's insurance benefits based on disability. (42 U.S.C. 405 (g))
863	DIWW	All claims filed for widows or widowers insurance benefits based on disability under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. 405 (g))
864	SSID	All claims for supplemental security income payments based upon disability filed under Title 16 of the Social Security Act, as amended.
865	RSI	All claims for retirement (old age) and survivors benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. 405 (g))